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NEW PHASE OF WAR IN EAST

Russian Army in Serious Danger Defending Vilna. Germany to Relieve Constantinople if Possible.

The European war may be regarded as entering upon a new phase with the German attack on Serbia. Simultaneously with the evacuation of Vilna by the Russians, and a very serious endangering of the Russian army defending that city, the Germans report that they have opened an attack with guns and forces of their own on the Serbian position, firing across the Danube at Semendria east of Belgrade and near the mouth of the Morava river, that is the highway across Serbia to Turkey. The actual commencement of operations by Germany against Serbia indicates an intention to force the issue in the southeast, to relieve Constantinople, if possible, from the menace of the allies' attack, to drive Roumania and Greece entirely out of the game, to attach Bulgaria definitely to the Teutonic cause, and to obtain an advantage for the central empires which will be irremovable by subsequent events.

Probably the Germans reason that it is not necessary to accomplish a "drive" clear across mountainous Serbia, and through Bulgaria toward Constantinople, in order to achieve their purpose. If they can merely begin a strong advance up the Morava Valley, the effect will be instantaneous on the Balkan Powers. Already Bulgaria appears to be committed to the German and Teutonic side, Roumania, cut off by the entrance of the Germans and Austrians into Serbia, would never dare to attack Austria, and would be compelled to accommodate herself to the Austrian and German wishes. Greece is required by her treaty with Serbia to support that country in case of an attack like this, but the shadow of Germany on the Morava might have the effect to convert that treaty into a scrap of paper. After the elimination of the Balkan Powers, Germany might inaugurate a drive against the Italians. Meantime the allies are stuck fast in the Dardanelles, and may get no farther.

Such, we may say is the German calculation. It devolves upon the Entente Powers to destroy that calculation. The Serbians have proved that they have excellent powers of resistance. Their artillery is not a match for the German guns, and they may not prevent the Germans and Austrians from crossing at Semendria. But any subsequent progress may be rendered very slow. If the Entente Powers' diplomacy continues as good as it has lately been in the Balkans, the Roumanians may be stimulated to such prompt and energetic action that the Germans will have to come to Austria's assistance in Transylvania. A great strengthening of the allies' attack on the Gallipoli Peninsula may break the back of the Turkish resistance. Bulgaria may yet be handled successfully. And in the meantime a German drive against Italy may be said to remain an experiment too fantastic to be attempted. But in any case this attack at Semendria, and the bold stroke of Bulgaria in calling to her colors many thousand Macedonians who are still under the Serbian flag, gives the great war a new and distinctly Balkan aspect. It raises momentous questions. It suggests a possibility of disaster to Germany in so widespread an extension of her activities. And it devolves upon the Entente Powers the necessity of the most energetic action on the Gallipoli Peninsula, or elsewhere in Turkish territory, that they have yet undertaken. — Boston Transcript.

H. J. Nelson, a typewriter expert, has located in Clayton and will make this his headquarters. Mr. Nelson has had considerable factory experience, and has been in the typewriter cleaning and repairing business for fifteen years. Anyone possessing a machine that needs cleaning or repairing should see him. Notice his ad on another page of this issue.

Good goods at right prices. Dry goods and groceries. Weber & Sons.

Sears-Mays

Monday evening at 9 o'clock at the Baptist parsonage, Rev. J. Q. Herrin performed the ceremony that made Mr. Gerald Sears and Miss Faye Mays husband and wife. Both of the contracting parties live at Des Moines, and are members of the best families of that city. The young bride is the eldest daughter of J. M. Mays and wife. Mr. Sears is the eldest son of Wm. G. Sears of the Des Moines townsite. The news is pleased to offer best congratulations to the young couple and wish for them every success.

C. Sampson of near Bertrand, Oklahoma, attended to business in the city Friday.

Miss Amanda I. Bigler of near Seneca, attended to business in the city Friday.

B. F. McCarley of near Thomas, was trading and looking after business in the city Friday.

Mrs. Geo. W. Ingraham of near Guy, was in the city today shopping and looking after business.

G. W. Sparks of the Pinabets country, attended to business in the city Wednesday and Thursday.

Geo. Gould, prince of clerks at the Otto-Johnson store, squared his subscription Friday for another year to the popular paper.

H. L. Fletcher of near Grandview, a News regular and Union county booster, attended to business in the city the first of the week.

Antonio S. Garcia one of the royal boosters of Clayton called Thursday and had his subscription advanced another year to the popular paper.

A. L. Ratcliff of near town, one of the real big farmers of Union county made the editor feel good Friday morning by handing over 2 "bucks" on subscription to the popular paper.

Hon. Paz Valverde, register of the local Land Office, returned Thursday evening from a weeks visit with his brother-in-law, Otto Menger, and Uncle Charley Bushnell, at Beenhams.

H. Bruns and family will leave the first of the week on an extended visit with relatives and friends in the Golden State, and to take in the expositions. Mr. Bruns says that he and family are deserving a good long rest.

G. W. Ratcliff and wife of Kansas, brother and sister-in-law of A. L. Ratcliff of near town, arrived Wednesday for an extended visit with A. L. and family. Mr. Ratcliff is greatly pleased with Clayton and Union County, and may decide to locate here.

John W. Lanier of St. Paul, Minnesota, formerly of Des Moines, this county, was a Clayton business visitor Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Lanier is well known in this county, and his many friends here who are hoping that he will move back. The News is among the number.

Baptist Services for Sunday, October 3rd.

9:45 a. m. Sunday School. A mission program will be rendered by the children in connection with the morning lesson.

11:00 a. m. Morning Worship and Sermon.

7:00 p. m. Young Peoples Meeting.

7:45 p. m. Sermon: "The Stone of Stumbling."

Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

J. Q. Herrin, Pastor.

Mrs. Carl Dunn entertained a number of friends Friday evening in honor of Miss Rattie E. Nunn of Vaulin, Miss.

Rubel Lujan and family of Mexima, have moved to Clayton so as to give their children the advantage of good schools.

TALKS 2500 MILES BY TELEPHONE

Human Voice Travels from Atlantic to Pacific without the Aid of Wire. U. S. Navy Towers Used.

New York, Sept. 29.—This afternoon the human voice traveled across the continent from Atlantic to the Pacific without the aid of wire. By means of wireless apparatus and methods developed by the engineers of the Bell system, President T. N. Vail of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, sitting in the offices of the company in New York City, spoke into a Bell telephone connected by wires of the Bell system with the wireless tower at Arlington, Va., and his words were transmitted by wireless telephony to Mare Island, near San Francisco, Cal., a distance of 2500 miles.

This test and remarkable triumph of the Bell system was accomplished under the direct supervision of John J. Carty, chief engineer of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, who has been in San Francisco for several weeks. He received President Vail's first message at Mare Island and replied to them and repeated them back to Arlington by wire. The demonstration was held by permission of the navy authorities at the radio stations, and the experiments were witnessed and verified by them.

Geo. H. Wade & Co

Geo. H. Wade & Co. opened their new store this (Saturday) morning in the building adjoining the Brans hotel. Mr. Wade is one of the most popular salesmen Clayton has ever known, having been employed in leading business establishments here for several years. The new store will carry a complete and up-to-date stock of shoes, clothing, dry goods and ladies and gents furnishings.

T. J. Perry of Grandview spent Friday in Clayton.

G. G. Granville made a business trip to Mexhoma Friday.

O. C. Miller left Thursday for his home at Patterson, N. M.

James Ryan of Folsom was a Clayton visitor and trader Monday.

Miss Fern Earn left Friday for Des Moines to spend a few days.

W. W. Holdeman of Mt. Dora, was trading in Clayton Thursday.

Dr. E. C. Keller returned Friday from a business trip to Las Vegas.

Roy Murry is able to be out after a severe illness with typhoid fever.

Chas. Tanner of Hayden, spent Tuesday in Clayton attending to business.

J. M. Harder of near Wanette, was transacting business in the county seat Friday.

F. M. Compton, who represents the Ottawa Star Nursery spent the week in Clayton.

Frank Holett of near Barney, was a visitor and trader in the city Wednesday.

D. T. Roberts of Hayden, transacted business in the county seat the first of the week.

Don Telford Casados of the Penabets, was a business visitor in the city this week.

Carl Eklund and family returned the last of the week from an enjoyable trip to Taos.

Mrs. Chas. Purves, postmaster at Delfin, Okla., spent Wednesday in Clayton visiting friends.

Earl Stauffer of near Mt. Dora, was a trader and business visitor in the county seat the latter part of the week.

J. A. Stephenson of near Thomas, was a business visitor and trader in the city the latter part of the week.

Last Call for State Fair

Albuquerque, N. M., Oct. 1.—The big amusement features of the next state fair will surpass in magnitude and excellence anything that has ever been known in this section of the country. While the fair is based primarily on the development of the resources of every county in the state, the management has not lost sight of the fact that the people want to be entertained, and there will not be a dull moment for visitors from early Monday morning until the lights are put out Saturday night.

In the first place, there will be eight bands, all of them of high caliber and several of them of national reputation. What it means to have the bands playing all the time—what a spirit of enthusiasm and merriment it puts into the minds and hearts of the crowd, only those who have experienced the sensation can appreciate. But the bands will not be the only or greatest of the pleasures of the fair. The shows at the grounds, and especially the night shows, will hold that rapt attention of the thousands of visitors to the fair and beyond all doubt will be the greatest drawing card ever presented to the New Mexico public.

No better horse racing has ever been seen in the west than that which will take place on the track at Traction park. So great was the interest shown in the race program among the big horsemen at the Colorado fair that the first thing Secretary Wiley found it necessary to do on his return from Pueblo after visiting that fair was to increase the stable facilities originally provided which were larger than any that had been deemed necessary at any previous fair. At night an elaborate fireworks display will be shown; there will be sword dancing, an illuminated balloon ascension and parachute drop, the big midway attractions, a society vaudeville and all the other sensations that go to give real thrills to a pleasure-loving crowd.

The boys and girls club, under the direction of J. H. Toulouse, has assumed such propositions that it was found necessary to call Mr. Toulouse in from his canvassing trip, as there was danger that a larger crowd would be present than it would be possible to accommodate. There will be at least two hundred boys and girls at this encampment, representing nearly every county in the state. Lectures will be given them by members of the faculty of the agricultural college and by a representative of the United States Department of Agriculture and everything possible will be done for their instruction and entertainment while they are in Albuquerque.

For Sale or Trade

50x115 foot NE corner lot in Miller and Charlton Addition for sale or trade. Apply of M. P. Harvey, Land Office.

Royal Neighbors to Entertain

The local camp of the Royal Neighbors of America will give a banquet and entertainment in the Palmer hall Tuesday evening, October 5th. All Royal Neighbors and families are cordially invited to attend. The ladies desire to make this affair one long to be remembered, and urgently request the presence of all Royal Neighbors and Modern Woodmen.

C. E. Longest of Mt. Dora spent Thursday trading and looking after business in Clayton.

Miss Mable Coulson who is teaching the Granville school came to Clayton Friday on business.

Adolf Schafer who lives near Delfin, Okla. was trading and attending to business in Clayton Thursday.

Mrs. Laverne Brown returned the first part of the week from Trinidad where she took her little daughter for medical treatment.

We save you money on everything in the dry goods and grocery line. Our service is pleasing. Weber & Sons.

ALLIED GUNS BEATS GERMANS

Germans Caught in Own Trap by the French. Trenches Blown up with Bombs Entombed Men.

Paris (5 p. m.), Oct. 1.—More than ten thousand Germans have been entombed in their underground trenches in the Champagne district and are slowly suffocating and starving to death.

French soldiers have dropped bombs into these underground workings and have sealed up the exits, leaving the thousands to perish.

The Teutons caught like rats in a trap by the tremendous drive, were unable to escape from the trenches, while thousands of others were ordered to remain in the underground forts, the German generals believing that after the first French wave passed they could be brought out to attack the French in the rear.

So fierce was the French drive that the first line and portions of the second line of trenches were swept away, and then the following waves of French began dropping the bombs into the trenches and sealing up the entrances, leaving the thousands to smother to death.

The world often startled by the loss of a few hundred entombed men in some mine disaster, must now grasp the entombment of at least 10,000 Germans, caught in their own traps, unable to escape the fury of their foe.

Never in the world's history of battles has there been such a startling disaster as that which has overtaken these thousands of men.

Reports received this afternoon from the front tell in detail of the fearful havoc wrought by the French above ground and now these same reports go into details of this stifling of the thousands in underground forts, many of them more than twenty-five feet deep, connected by tunnels and with hidden exits protected by steel doors.

So cleverly were the exits concealed that frequently the French were walking over them before they were discovered.

Tracing the ground the French found the concealed air shafts and down these they dropped bombs that exploded and forever sealed the entrances.

The estimate of 10,000 men, dead and dying in these underground trenches is contained in the reports. It is doubtful if their number will ever be known, for the French are covering up the exit and transforming the trenches into tombs.

Miss Edna Lowers, Dead

Miss Edna Lowers, step-daughter of T. S. McDonald of near Harrington, died at 2 o'clock Friday night, October 1st, at the home near Harrington. Brights disease being the immediate cause of death. Miss Lowers was an accomplished young woman, and an expert musician and teacher of music. She was a personal friend of The News Editor and we are grieved to learn of her early death. Mr. McDonald came to Clayton this (Saturday) morning, for a casket, and the remains will be interred tomorrow in the Harrington cemetery.

Jim and Henry Breen, stockmen of Shattuck Oklahoma, and old friends of The News man, were in the city today. During the past week they made a stock buying trip through the southern part of the county.

Let the "Hartford" insure your growing crops against hail. Terms and rates reasonable. Fire, Lightning, Windstorm and Live Stock Insurance, also. Call or write, H. C. McFadden, Agent.

Mrs. Ada Dennis of Bentus, Michigan, sister-in-law of J. A. Becker of Wanette, arrived Saturday for an extended visit with relatives.

Ben Peach of Garcia Plaza, attended to business in the city Thursday and Friday.

J. A. Becker of near Wanette, was a business visitor and trader in town Saturday. While here Mr. Becker renewed his subscription to the popular paper.